

**LOPHODYTES CUCULLATUS*, Gmel.

Not before recorded from the Territory, though its occurrence was to have been anticipated. (Cf. *Prodrome*, p. 63.)

PODICEPS CORNUTUS, Gmel.

Jan. 28th.

MR. CASSIN, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Thirty-one members present.

The following gentlemen were transferred from the list of members to that of correspondents: Jos. Jones, M.D.; W. F. Reynolds, U. S. Top. Eng.

Dr. Allen's resignation as Corresponding Secretary was read and accepted.

The following Committees were elected for 1868 :

Ethnology.—J. Aitken Meigs, S. S. Haldeman, F. V. Hayden.

Entomology and Crustacea.—John L. Le Conte, J. H. B. Bland, Tryon Reakirt.

Comparative Anatomy and General Zoology.—Joseph Leidy, Harrison Allen, S. B. Howell.

Ornithology.—John Cassin, Spencer F. Baird, B. A. Hoopes.

Mammalogy.—Harrison Allen, E. D. Cope, John Cassin.

Conchology.—Geo. W. Tryon, Jr., Rev. E. R. Beadle, C. F. Parker.

Herpetology and Ichthyology.—Edward D. Cope, S. Wier Mitchell, Chas. Shaeffer.

Geology.—Isaac Lea, F. V. Hayden, T. A. Conrad.

Physics.—Robt. Bridges, R. E. Rogers, Jacob Ennis.

Library.—Jos. Leidy, John Cassin, Robert Bridges.

Botany.—Elias Durand, Aubrey H. Smith, Elias Diffenbaugh.

Mineralogy.—Wm. S. Vaux, S. R. Roberts, Jos. Willcox.

Palæontology.—T. A. Conrad, Jos. Leidy, Wm. M. Gabb.

Proceedings.—Joseph Leidy, Wm. S. Vaux, John Cassin, Robt. Bridges, Geo. W. Tryon, Jr.

Prof. Edw. D. Cope was elected Corresponding Secretary.

Feb. 4th.

The President, DR. HAYS, in the Chair.

Forty-one members present.

E. D. Cope made some observations on the living inhabitants of caves in south-western Virginia. He said he had examined some fifteen, which were not generally known; one of them, Spruce Run Cave, in Giles county, for a 1868.]

distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. He said that, besides bats, the *Neotoma floridana* was very abundant, and made nests like those of birds. He also found some articulates peculiar to them. The few molluscs were the same as those of the woods, and did not occur far from the mouth. The only beetle was entirely blind, being a new *Anophthalmus*, *A. pusio* of Horn, and was rare. A species of fly, apparently identical with one usually found about excrements, was found in all the localities where rats occurred. There were two species of Myriapoda, one the *Cambala annulata* Say, quite rare and with rudimental eyes, and the other, most common in the remote recesses only, the *Pseudotremia cavernarum* Cope, sp. nov. (gen. nov.) of the *Lysopetalidæ*, with eyes better developed.

Special Meeting, Feb. 6th.

MR. VAUX, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Twelve members present.

Dr. Ruschenberger announced the death of Mr. Jacob Gilliams, one of the founders of the Academy, on the 4th inst., in the 86th year of his age.

On motion, the meeting adjourned to attend the funeral.

Feb. 11th.

The President, DR. HAYS, in the Chair.

Thirty members present.

The following paper was presented for publication :

"Description of some new species of diurnal Lepidoptera. Series III." By Tryon Reakirt.

Mr. Vaux, on behalf of Dr. Ruschenberger, offered the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Resolved, That in the death of Mr. Jacob Gilliams, at an advanced age, the Academy has lost the latest survivor of its seven founders and one of its oldest friends.

That the society holds in grateful remembrance his efforts to encourage the cultivation of the natural sciences at a period when they attracted the attention of few persons in Philadelphia.

That to his interest in natural history the foundation of this institution may be in a great measure justly attributed.

That the friends of the natural sciences recognize in his early labors to establish an institution devoted to the collection of materials and the publication of essays for the purpose of diffusing knowledge of the natural history of the world, a claim to their lasting respect.

That the Academy tenders to the members of his family this expression of sympathy in their bereavement; and that the President of the Academy is requested to communicate to them a copy of these resolutions suitably engrossed.

Feb. 18th.

MR. CASSIN, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Thirty-four members present.

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